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SUBJECT: REGIME RESPONSE BISHOPS' PASTORAL LETTER

REF: MANILA 1662

1. PASTORAL LETTER DRAFTED AT CEBU BISHOPS' CONFERENCE (REFTEL) WAS READ IN ALL CATHOLIC CHURCHES IN PHILIPPINES SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6. FEBRUARY 6 BULLETIN TODAY CARRIED REASONABLY ACCURATE SUMMARY. OTHER TWO MORNING DAILIES AND BROADCAST MEDIA DID NOT EVEN MENTION IT. AMCONSUL CEBU REPORTS THAT TWO LARGEST CEBU DAILIES CARRIED TEXT FEBRUARY 6, WHILE TWO OTHER LOCAL PAPERS DID NOT.

2. IN RELATED DEVELOPMENTS ON CHURCH-STATE FRONT, JESUIT ASSISTANT TO BISHOP CLAVER TOLD EMBOFF FEBRUARY 6 THAT EDITOR (FATHER GUS NAZARENO) OF SUPPRESSED ANG BANDILYO (SEE MANILA 1224) HAS BEEN ORDERED TO APPEAR IN DAVAO FEBRUARY 8 IN CONNECTION WITH HIS ACTIVITIES ON PAPER. EDITOR'S NAME APPEARS ON LIST OF SUBVERSIVES REPORTED PARA 4 REFTEL. JESUITS ALSO INFORMED DEPORTATION ORDER SIGNED FOR AMCIT CALVIN POULIN, JESUIT WORKING IN CLAVER'S MALAYBALAY DIOCESE. NUNCIO IS ASKING JESUITS TO REPRIMAND ITS MILITANT FORMER PROVINCIAL BENIGNO MAYO, FORMER CHAIRMAN OF AMRSP, FOR HIS ROLE IN SECURING
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LAICIZATION FORMER JESUIT SAMUEL WILEY. DEPARTMENT WILL RECALL WILEY SUBJECT OF CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY IN CONNECTION WITH HIS POSSIBLE DEPORTATION. JESUITS RESISTING ANY MAY APPEAL TO ROME.

3. COMMENT: MEDIA'A LACK OF FULL ATTENTION TO BISHOPS' STATEMENT IS NOT SURPRISING GIVEN ITS CONTENT. BULLETIN

TODAY'S PUBLISHER (BG. H. MENZI) IS CHAIRMAN OF PRINT
MEDIA COUNCIL AND MAY FEEL HE HAS MORE LATITUDE THAN OTHER
PAPERS MORE INTIMATELY CONNECTED WITH MARCOS AND HIS
FAMILY. REPORTS OF BISHOPS' STRONG STATEMENT ALREADY
MAKING THE ROUNDS IN MANILA PRIOR TO SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENT.
LACK OF EXTENSIVE PRESS COVERAGE WOULD SUGGEST MARCOS IS UNHAPPY
ABOUT STATEMENT. EXACTLY HOW UNHAPPY AND WHAT HE IS
PREPARED TO DO ABOUT IT REMAIN TO BE SEEN.
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